



**Arizona Department of Health Services
Office for Children with Special Health Care Needs
Integrated Services Grant**



Committee Action Planning

The Integrated Services Grant Initiatives has formed seven committees to address specific areas of the grant. The Committees are:

- Quality Improvement
- Education and Training
- Cultural Competency
- Specialty Services
- Insurance
- Parent Action Council
- Youth Action Council

The following template provides a framework for planning committee actions and tracking the strategies and actions to the outcomes desired. Each Committee will complete the template to further define the strategy(ies), Actions and timelines for the work of the Committee. The completed Action plans will provide the basis for monitoring and reporting on the activities of the Committees.

Definitions:

Task: The areas assigned to the Committee based on the grant requirements.

Outcome/Performance Measures (s): The outcome desired from the work of the Committee and the performance measures to be impacted by this work.

Strategy: The major activity(ies) that will take place in order to achieve the goal. A Task may have more than one strategy.

Action: The step by step process to implement / complete the strategy. For each strategy, the actions (next steps) define how the strategy will be implemented.

Timeline: The Starting month & year and projected ending month & year for implementing the strategy.

Committee Name: Insurance Committee

Goal: To evaluate the insurance coverage for cyshcn.

Task	Outcome/Performance Measure(s)	Strategy	Action	Timeline
1. Assess adequacy of insurance coverage for children with special health care needs.	<p>The grantee was able to assist the State in improving access to adequate health insurance coverage by:</p> <p>1) decreasing the number of cyshcn without insurance;</p> <p>2) increasing the number of cyshcn with access to insurance that meets their needs; and/or</p> <p>3) improving the financing and reimbursement of services needed by cyshcn.</p> <p>The grantee was able to assist the State in implementing activities statewide.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The system does not work as it is. • What sources of data that is out there? What we could use? How adequate is the insurance coverage for CYSHCNs? National Survey for Children with Special Health Care Needs, that surveys only 150 children in our state with special healthcare needs. Also, the data is from 2001 and outdated. • Issues that came up were to find accurate data for physically disabled kids. Currently they are not represented in AHCCCS data. • We need to identify and define who are CYSHCN. <p>DD+ALTCS+AzEIP+EPD+RBHA+CRS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AHCCCS availability/sharing data (use HIPAA as reason but not really a barrier?) • Suggest that agencies are able to share data easier with each other. • ALTCS="payer of last resort" Can we identify kids with private 		

		<p>and ALTCS?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use Health Query at ASU Do they have AHCCCS data? Bill Johnson Money? Have commercial plan data? Data outside of Maricopa County? (ADHS discharge data get ASU Health Query) • AHRQ data HCUP (Healthcare Cost Utilization Project) 		
2. Evaluate identification of cyshcn in commercial insurance plans.				
3. Identify coordinated funding of services for cyshcn.	<p>The grantee was able to assist the State in developing partnerships and collaborating with key stakeholders in the State, such as State agencies (e.g., Medicaid agencies, State insurance commissioners), health insurance companies/managed care organizations; provider organizations (e.g.,</p>			

	hospitals, physician groups); employers, unions, and other employee-related organizations; families; and consumer groups.			
4. Evaluate the number of uninsured cyshcn and make recommendations.	The grantee participates in activities to disseminate the project's results, products, and materials to local, state, and/or national audiences.			